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FUEL.

Bennett Grammar School.

J. M. Aikens, 70 baskets charcoal,	$ 21 00	
E. Willard, 19 tons coal,	106 00	
		$127 00

Harvard Grammar School and Primary No. 1.

J. M. Aikens, 60 baskets charcoal,	$18 00	
E. Willard, 18 tons coal,	100 00	
M. McDermott, shavings,	00 60	
		$118 60

Primary No. 2.

J. M. Aikens, 25 baskets charcoal,	$ 7 50	
E. Willard, 5 tons coal,	27 50	
		$35 00

Primary No. 3.

J. M. Aikens, 25 baskets charcoal,	$ 7 50	
E. Willard, 4¼ tons coal,	23 50	
W. R. Champney, 2 barrels coal,	1 60	
		$32 60

High School and Primary No. 4.

J. M. Aikens, 71 baskets charcoal,	$21 30	
E. Willard, 20 tons coal,	112 00	
C. Noyes, shavings,	1 12	
		$134 42

Primary No. 5.

J. M. Aikens, 25 baskets charcoal,	$ 7 50	
E. Willard, 3 tons coal,	16 50	
Z. T. Cushman, shavings,	00 62	
		$ 24 62

Primary No. 6.

J. M. Aikens, 15 baskets charcoal,	$4 50	
E. Willard, 2 tons coal,	11 00	
D. H. Thayer, shavings,	00 50	
		$ 16 00
Fuel for Schools, . . .		$488 24

INCIDENTALS.

Bennett Grammar School.

S. A. Poor, building fires,	$24 75	
" " sweeping,	13 20	
" " books for poor children,	9 29	
" " repairing clock and seats,	4 55	
" " dust-pan, crayons, &c.,	13 82	
" " grate for furnace,	5 60	
F. H. Ellis, painting and varnishing desks,	11 00	
H. Russell, " " " "	10 37	
H. Cushman, moving furniture,	21 50	
W. C. Allen, pails, brushes and shovel,	3 42	
M. Greenleaf, cleaning clock,	00 25	
A. T. Brewer, clapboards, nails, &c.,	4 91	
C. White, repairs,	9 82	
Pond & Duncklee, furnace,	83 00	
" " repairing old furnace,	20 00	
		$235 48

Harvard Grammar School and Primary No. 1.

R. H. Bent, rep'ing school-house and pump,	$7 54	
G. D. Bigelow, sweeping,	7 16	
" " books for poor children,	7 35	
" " broom, setting glass, &c.,	1 37	
J. Billings, repairs,	1 50	
Mrs. McDermott, cleaning rooms,	8 00	
" " building fires,	24 00	
" " sweeping,	2 16	
J. Blevin, slating,	3 77	
W. C. Allen, shovel,	00 41	
Pond & Duncklee, furnace, pipe and setting,	155 00	
Miss M. A. Tuxbury, sweeping,	4 00	
" " " books for poor children,	1 67	
O. Lappen, mats,	3 59	
		$227 52

Amount carried forward, ... $463 00

Amount brought forward, . . .		$463 00
Primary No. 2.		
Miss M. F. Childs, sweeping,	6 00	
" " " books for poor children,	00 70	
" " " curtains,	2 18	
E. P. Dutton & Co., brushes,	3 50	
" " " school registers,	1 30	
W. C. Allen, pails, brushes, &c.,	1 62	
M. Greenleaf, cleaning clock,	00 50	
Hannah Carry, cleaning room,	3 00	
" " making fires,	9 50	
W. Killon, " "	3 50	
C. White, repairs,	1 50	
G. B. Stockwell, 1 stove and pan,	40 53	
		$73 83
Primary No. 3.		
Miss E. Harris, sweeping,	$6 00	
G. Fuller & Son, lumber,	3 30	
H. C. Allen, pail, brush, &c.,	1 23	
M. Greenleaf, cleaning clock,	1 00	
W. R. Champney, making coal bin,	2 13	
B. H. Champney, making fires, &c.,	12 00	
W. Warren, books for poor children,	3 26	
Baxter & Sanborn, tassels and cord,	00 30	
E. P. Dutton & Co., school registers,	1 50	
		$30 72
High School and Primary No. 4.		
Woodward & Brown, piano,	$100 00	
G. Welch, building fires, &c.,	50 25	
Mrs. Welch, cleaning room,	7 00	
L. H. Buckingham, sweeping,	7 00	
J. Tubbs, painting roof, setting glass, &c.,	7 00	
Miss Collins, sweeping,	6 00	
" " books for poor children,	2 91	
W. C. Allen, brooms, pails, oil, &c.,	4 22	
M. Greenleaf, cleaning clock and 1 new clock,	6 25	
		$190 63
Amount carried forward, . . .		$758 18

Amount brought forward, . . .		$758 18
A. T. Brewer, building case for apparatus,	38 00	
G. Wentworth, whitewashing,	16 50	
G. B. Stockwell, repairing furnace,	4 00	
E. S. Ritchie, philosophical apparatus,	84 05	
W. Warren, books for poor children,	00 61	
		$143 16

Primary No. 5.

Miss M. J. Hall, sweeping,	$4 00	
" " " books for poor children,	2 62	
Miss M. E. Kingsley, sweeping, bell, &c.,	3 17	
W. C. Allen, pail and brush,	1 17	
L. H. Baldwin, building fires,	7 50	
A. T. Brewer, repairing seats, desks, &c.,	2 25	
W. Warren, books,	00 50	
Z. T. Cushman, building fires,	13 50	
		$34 71

Primary No. 6.

Miss C. E. D. Howe, sweeping,	$6 00	
J. Billings, repairing benches, &c.,	4 11	
" " cleaning room,	1 50	
D. H. Thayer, building fires,	10 00	
		$21 61
Thurston & Miles, printing School Report,	$63 21	
R. G. Green, books for registers,	2 50	
		$65 71
Incidentals for Schools, . . .		$1,023 37

SUPPORT OF POOR.

N. Tucker, Board of sundry persons, at Alms House,	$415 62
J. Davis, taking care of crazy person,	6 00
B. Fobes, taking care sundry persons,	61 00
" " suppers and lodgings for poor people,	95 88
" " aiding poor strangers,	2 50
G. Fuller, " " "	50 00
W. C. Allen, tobacco for poor,	5 38
J. F. Taylor, aiding poor people,	25 36
Town of Marblehead, supplies furnished Mrs. Jackson,	7 00
City of Lynn, supplies furnished S. A. Carlton,	35 25
W. Penniman, suppers and lodging for poor people,	16 97
W. Warren, medicine for poor,	4 40
J. Cogswell, burying child,	4 00
Baxter & Sanborn, sundries,	24 73
W. W. Warren, expenses to Worcester on account of insane person,	7 50
	$761 59

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Engine Co. No. 1, services,	$422 50
" " No. 2, "	255 00
A. H. Waterman, refreshments,	13 19
J. W. Caldwell, repairing Engine No. 1,	50 00
Hunneman & Co., " " "	281 25
" " " Hose,	9 50
Engine Co. No. 1, " Engine,	150 00
N. Martin, refreshments,	9 00
J. C. Wadleigh, hinges, &c. for No. 2,	1 73
G. Fuller, lumber, &c. for No. 2,	36 67
J. Boyd, hose,	282 45
Somerville Co. No. 1, refreshments,	9 53
J. G. Davis, carting hose, oil, &c.,	4 01
A. T. Brewer, repairs on Engine House No. 1,	6 01
H. Cushman, carting hose, &c.,	7 33
H. Lloyd, painting Engine House No. 2,	5 00
Cambridge Co. No. 1, refreshments,	10 00
	$1,553 17

RIVER STREET AND BRIDGES.

J. C. Wadleigh, repairs to Bridge,		$51 97
" " building fence,		190 25
G. Fuller & Son, lumber,		1,426 97
" " " " for drains,		12 89
" " " " hoisting draw,		26 25
H. Rowe, granite and drilling holes		19 02
G. Peck, iron work for Bridge,		122 34
J. Tibbetts, carting lumber,		25 75
D. U. Chamberlin, nails, spikes, &c.,		34 57
Davis & Bates, hoisting draw,		3 15
L. A. Roby, oak piles, stringers, ballast, beams, &c.,		1,700 00
Bixby & Cole, labor, &c.,	$1,677 97	
J. Robinson, bolts, hinges, wheels, staples, &c.,	174 23	
James & Pope, hard pine boards, &c.,	125 40	
L. Kinsley, castings,	64 38	
J. F. Taylor, order,	1,000 00	
J. Taylor, gravel,	42 50	
J. Norton, "	58 50	
	$7,067 99	

HIGHWAYS.

Clark Smith, labor,		$2,455 79
J. Norton, " Rockland Street,		300 00
" " "		100 00
" " " on Culvert,		15 00
J. Holton, gravel,		2 16
	$2,872 95	

NEW ROAD TO NEWTON.

J. Williams, order,		$ 155 00
J. F. Taylor, orders,		2,000 00
M. S. Rice, surveys and plan,		47 03
" " locating road,		2 50
	$2,204 53	

CEMETERY.

J. Breck, for tools, &c.	$ 6 08
C. White, for sharpening drills, &c. . .	13 26
McDonnell, for stub posts, ...	36 00
For numbering board marks, . . .	3 50
For labor, ...	219 62
	$278 46

4 lots graded and unsold.

TOWN OFFICERS.

W. Warren, Selectman and Overseer of the Poor,	$75 00
G. Fuller, " " " " "	75 00
J. F. Taylor, " " " " "	75 00
W. R. Champney, Assessor, . . .	85 00
E. Rice, "	85 00
G. H. Howe, " fees as clerk, .	133 00
W. W. Warren, Town Clerk, . . .	75 00
H. H. Larnard, Town Treasurer, . .	75 00
F. A. Whitney, School Committee, 6 months, .	25 00
J. P. C. Winship, " " " .	25 00
R. G. Greene, " " . . .	50 00
Charles Noyes, " " . .	50 00
Charles Heard, Cemetery Committee, . .	50 00
B. F. Pierce, " " . .	50 00
W. R. Champney, Prudential Committee for Dis't No. 3,	10 00
J. Billings, " " " No. 6,	10 00
B. Fobes, Police Officer on Market days, . .	104 00
	$1,052 00

SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS.

Primary School House No. 5.

Additional amount paid for grading land and finishing wall, ...	$217 75

Bennett Grammar School.

A. T. Brewer, building and painting fence,	303 50
R. N. Gorrell, removing seats from old school house to new building,	49 75
" " brackets,	11 80
W. O. Haskell, furniture for rooms,	690 10
W. C. Allen, matting,	11 40
W. Henshaw, outline maps, &c.,	27 00
D. P. Davis, 3 clocks,	31 00
	$1,124 55

ALMS HOUSE.

G. F. Fuller, plan of building,	$ 35 00
Building Committee, orders,	2,265 70
F. Donnelly, grading,	9 00
	$2,309 70

AID TO VOLUNTEERS FOR THE WAR.

Appleton, H. R.	$12 50	Goodrich, J. W.	16 00
Brooks, S.	70 00	Hardy, C. D.	20 00
Bennett, H.	12 50	Johnson, W. H.	30 00
Barry, P.	36 00	Luker, J.	87 32
Chamblin, C. H.	40 00	Morley, J. F.	15 67
Currin, C.	43 00	McKenny, W.	27 50
Coyle, J.	27 67	Pease, J.	12 50
Chapman, J.	8 00	Pearson, S. B.	12 50
Cushing, C. B.	12 00	Rice, W. F.	30 00
Couthouay, W. A.	16 00	Rice, A.	12 50
Evers, Gustav.	34 00	Smart, R. E.	30 00
Ewell, W.	12 50	Seymour, R.	8 00
Grover, H. L.	19 00	Thomas, J.	40 00
Gordon, G. F.	30 00	Towne, J. H.	12 50
Griffin, M.	23 33	Tucker, E. M.	16 70
Golding, J.	22 50	Wilson. A.	30 00
Galligan, F.	6 00		
			$826 19

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

Hampden Fire Ins. Co., Insurance,		$62 50
State Fire Ins. Co. "		56 25
W. C. Cushman, "		315 00
H. Duncklee, damage to sheep by dogs,		10 00
B. Duncklee, " " "		10 00
D. Scates, " " "		13 33
T. Q. Hollis, " " "		21 50
S. Davis, " " "		36 11
M. B. Bates, " " "		25 00
Thurston & Miles, printing Finance Reports, &c.,		119 50
J. & G. Wentworth, making Reservoir,	$354 00	
S. Palmer, digging "	10 00	
C. Smith, carting gravel and grading for do.	30 00	
J. Caldwell, cover for Reservoir,	1 00	
W. W. Warren, drawing contract for do.	2 00	
		397 00
B. A. Abbott, services in North Road case,		160 00
S. L. Plummer, printing copies of Petition,		40 00
" " services in the Wilkinson Case,		89 30
J. J. Austin, services in the " "		25 07
W. Warren, attendance before Committee of Legislature on account of River Street,		15 00
" " attendance at Court at Watertown and East Cambridge,		10 00
" " paper, pens and ink for Assessors,		1 68
W. Aspinwall, services before Legislature,		60 00
C. Whitney, attendance before the Legislative Committee on Roads and Bridges,		16 50
" " examining abutments,		2 00
W. W. Warren, recording births, deaths and marriages,		31 00
" " making Collector's Bond,		2 00
" " services on account of Coffin Estate,		3 00
" " writing deed,		3 00
" " services in matter of Volunteers,		2 00
" " copies of papers rel. to River Street Case,		3 00
" " expense to Newton on account of election of Representatives		6 00
Amount carried forward,		$1,535 74

Amount brought forward,		$1,535 74
Interest on Town Debt.		
G. H. Brooks,	$90 00	
O. George,	240 00	
H. Pierce,	120 00	
J. Dana,	180 00	
E. B. Boyle,	60 00	
Deborah Hastings,	30 00	
S. S. Learnard,	30 00	
Fanny Emery,	60 00	
First Parish,	161 32	
City Inst. for Savings, Lowell,	600 00	
Provident Inst. for Savings, Boston,	240 00	
H. L. Glidon,	72 00	
I. Withington,	30 00	
G. Livermore,	120 00	
C. Smith, 2d,	18 00	
Charles Smith,	50 00	
Mary N. Bent,	21 00	
		2,122 32
A. H. Allen, table,		6 00
T. Hastings, rent of farm,		40 00
Alger & Moore, digging well,		45 00
J. Greenwood, land taken to widen road,		17 40
A. T. Brewer, repairs on Town House,		7 35
Shed & Edson, survey of line between Brookline and Brighton,		245 36
Police Officers, services July 3d and 4th,		35 00
Town of Newton, tax,		3 11
Recording deed,		00 60
W. R. Champney, horse and carriage for Assessors,		10 00
Benjamin Fobes, repairs on Lock-up,		4 75
" " robe for "		4 00
" " notifying Town Meetings,		56 00
" " distributing School Reports,		10 00
" " killing and burying dogs,		8 40
" " services as Special Police,		8 00
" " conveying runaway boys to Boston,		2 00
Amount carried forward,		$4,161 03

Amount brought forward, . . .	$4,161 03
S. Dearborn, painting at Town Hall, . .	11 29
Miles & Dillingham, printing Notifications, .	19 50
First Parish, use of bell, ...	10 00
W. C. Allen, fluid, oil, &c. for Town Hall, .	26 84
G. W. Ware & Co., furniture for Alms House, .	44 45
Mrs. Tucker, rent for poor while building Alms House,	30 00
L. F. S. Cushing, preparing State Valuation, .	15 00
Groom & Co., tax and valuation book, . .	5 62
J. Chaffee, charcoal for Town Hall, . . .	7 20
W. T. Richardson, damage on account of the narrowness of bridge, . .	60 00
C. White, repairs on Lock up, Town Hall, &c., .	8 70
E. Willard, coal for Town Hall, . . .	11 00
G. B. Stockwell, stove for Alms House, . .	12 38
" " repairs on furnace at Town Hall,	4 25
" " stove, oil, can, &c., . .	4 91
F. O. Dewey, brackets, oil can, &c., . .	14 88
J. Billings, return of deaths, ...	2 30
J. F. Taylor, yoke of cattle, . . .	125 00
J. Cogswell, services at Town Hall, . . .	45 25
" " ringing bell 1 year, . . .	40 00
H. H. Larnard, services, attending to printing and distributing Town Report, .	8 60
" " Interest, ...	5 50
Dog Tax, ...	1 06
Asa Hunting, new pump, and repairs to old do., .	35 90
C. Heard, services before Legislative Committee and Road Commissioners, . .	20 00
H. H. Larnard, Interest paid to Brighton Market Bank and Bank of Brighton, .	152 70
State Tax, ...	1,131 00
County Tax, ...	3,285 64
Discount allowed Collector as per vote of Town,	1,174 21
J. Hastings, collecting taxes for 1860, . .	235 08
" " abatements allowed by Assessors for 1860,	58 86
" " " " " " 1861,	985 16
Notes paid, ...	7,400 00
	$19,148 31

TOWN DEBT.

G. H. Brooks, for loan,	$1,500 00	
O. George,	4,000 00	
H. Pierce,	2,000 00	
J. Dana,	3,000 00	
E. B. Bogle,	1,000 00	
Deborah Hastings,	500 00	
S. S. Learnard,	500 00	
Fanny Emery,	1,000 00	
First Parish,	2,688 67	
City Inst. Savings, Lowell,	10,000 00	
Provident Inst. Savings, Boston,	4,000 00	
H. L. Glidon,	1,200 00	
I. Withington,	500 00	
G. Livermore,	2,000 00	
C. Smith, 2d,	500 00	
Charles Smith,	2,000 00	
T. Hastings,	775 00	
P. Colby,	1,000 00	
Mary N. Bent,	700 00	
Brighton Five Cents Savings Bank,	500 00	
Bixby & Cole,	1,500 00	
N. Kendall,	4,000 00	
		$44,663 67
Amount due from A. Hunting, Collector for 1859,	$338 88	
" " from J. Hastings, Collector for 1861,	318 11	
Amount in hands of Treasurer,	189 44	
		$ 896 43
Total Debt,		$43,767 24

Dr. TOWN OF BRIGHTON *in account with*

To amount due the Treasurer as per last Report,	$1,124.92
" cash paid School Teachers, ...	5,812.50
" " " Fuel for Schools, . . .	488.24
" " " Incidental School Expenses, . .	1,023.37
" " " Support of Poor, . . .	761.59
" " " Fire Department, ...	1,553.17
" " " on account of Bridges, . .	7,067.99
" " " on account of Highways, . .	2,872.95
" " " on account of Cemetery, . .	278.46
" " " New Road to Newton, . . .	2,204.53
" " " Town Officers, ...	1,052.00
" " " on account of District No. 5, . .	217.75
" " " on account of Bennett Gram. School,	1,124.55
" " " Soldiers' Aid Fund, . . .	826.19
" " " Alms House, ...	2,309.70
" " " Miscellaneous, ...	19,148.31
Cash on hand, ...	189.44
	$48,055.66

H. H. LARNARD, *Treasurer.* *Cr.*

By amount received as follows: —

By Taxes by J. Hastings on account 1861,	$23,022.00
" Discount allowed on ditto,	1,174.21
" Taxes collected by J. Hastings on account 1860,	1,465.27
" Commissions on Collections,	235.08
" Taxes collected by Asa Hunting on account 1859,	405.65
" N. Tucker, Rent of Farm,	125.00
" Account of Land and School-house in District No. 5,	601.75
" State School Fund,	127.53
" Sale of Oxen,	95.00
" County for Proportion of Cost of Rebuilding Bridges and Repairing Road, 25%,	1,671.29
" County on account of New Road to Newton,	100.00
" Error in Cemetery account,	100.00
" Sale of Lumber at Bridges,	80.00
" Cemetery Committee,	164.50
" W. C. Allen, on account of Hay Scales,	164.44
" J. Cogswell, use of Town Hall,	55.00
" Town Clerk, for Dog Tax,	252.60
" Town of Brookline, half cost of Running Town Line,	131.18
" Amount borrowed,	17,100.00
" Abatement on 1861, Taxes,	985.16
	$48,055.66

Cash in Treasury, ... $189.44

H. H. LARNARD,
Treasurer.

E. E. BRIGHTON, March 1, 1862.

DR. JONATHAN HASTINGS, COLLECTOR. CR.

Town Grant,	$20,400 00	Amount collected,	$23,022 00
State Tax,	1,131 00	Discount on Taxes paid on or before the 1st October, 1861, $19,570.21 at 6 2/3, . .	1,174 21
County Tax,	3,285 64	Commissions on Taxes collected & due, 1 1/2 2/3 on $25,887.78,	388 30
Overlayings,	1,071 14	Abatements 1861, allowed by Assessors,	985 16
		Balance, ...	318 11
	$25,887 78		$25,887 78

The Committee chosen at the Annual Town Meeting, March, 1861, to examine and audit the Treasurer's accounts, have attended to that duty, and find them correctly kept and properly vouched, and a balance of one hundred and eighty-nine 44/100 dollars in the hands of the Treasurer.

HENRY BALDWIN,
J. P. C. WINSHIP.

BRIGHTON, Feb. 28, 1862.

AUDITOR'S ESTIMATE FOR 1862.

Interest,	$2,600 00
School Teachers,	5,900 00
Fuel for Schools,	500 00
Incidentals for Schools,	600 00
Alms House Expenses,	400 00
Paupers out of Alms House,	200 00
Bridges,	400 00
Highways,	2,200 00
Cemetery,	150 00
Insurance,	100 00
Fire Department,	600 00
Printing,	150 00
Town Officers,	1,050 00
Great Bridge,	1,300 00
Miscellaneous Expenses,	1,900 00
To lessen Town Debt,	2,000 00
Discount on Taxes,	1,300 00
	$21,350 00

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT.

Births during the past Year,	106
Marriages solemnized in Brighton,	19
Deaths,	62
Certificates of Marriage issued,	50

The number of marriages returned as solemnized is less than the number of certificates issued, for the reason that the marriages of persons belonging to the Roman Catholic Church are solemnized in Brookline, and probably returned there.

W. W. WARREN,

Town Clerk

REPORT OF SELECTMEN.

The Selectmen have during the last year performed the duties of Overseers of the Poor and Surveyors of Highways, having been chosen such officers at the last Annual Meeting. They report as follows, regarding the matters which have been committed to them in addition to the ordinary duties of their offices.

A new highway has been constructed from the Southerly side of Washington Street opposite Oak Square, to the Newton line. The contract for the work, including a filling of stone one foot in depth for the whole distance, was for the sum of two thousand dollars. This highway was twice laid out by the County Commissioners, as their first proceedings were set aside for irregularity. A contract had been made with Messrs. Williams & Hay, for the work required by the first order of the Commissioners, and one hundred and fifty-five dollars were paid upon that contract. One hundred dollars of this amount were repaid the Town by the County, leaving a balance of fifty-five dollars to be added to the sum of two thousand dollars paid under the second contract. To this should be added the further sum of forty-nine dollars paid to the Surveyor, making the total cost of the road to the Town, the sum of two thousand one hundred and four dollars, ($2,104.)

Parsons Street has been graded, and is now fit for travel from Washington Street to North Beacon Street. It passes under the Boston and Worcester Rail Road, and the grading was done by that corporation, because the bridge over the road, as built by them was of a less width than had been agreed on with the Town.

River Street has been graded for the whole length of the Causeway from Harvard Street to the Cambridgeport Bridge. The half of that bridge which is in Brighton, has been almost entirely rebuilt with a new pier and fender, and half of the bridge between Watertown and Brighton in the same street, has been entirely rebuilt. These repairs on River Street and

the bridges were done by the order of the Special Commissioners (with which the Town is familiar) and cost the sum of six thousand six hundred and forty-eight dollars and seventeen cents, ... $6,648 17

Of this expense the County paid the sum of one thousand six hundred and seventy-one dollars twenty-nine cents, ... 1,671 29

Making the net cost to the Town, four thousand nine hundred and seventy-six dollars and eighty-eight cents, ... 4,976 88

It will be remembered that the Town received in 1857, of the Hancock Free Bridge Corporation, the sum of sixty-five hundred dollars, ... $6,500 00

On account of this highway and the bridge the annual interest on which sum since that time has been just about sufficient to meet the expenses of litigation, of taking care of the bridges and tending the draws.

Deducting from this sum of six thousand five hundred dollars, the net expense of the road to the Town, ... 4,976 88

And we have a balance of . . . $1,523 12

Which is all that will remain to the Town with which to keep the street in repair and support the bridges hereafter. That part of the street between the foot of Market Street and Gooch's Wharf, has been repaired and graded this year, out of the money appropriated for highways, and the remainder of the street between Gooch's wharf and Harvard Street will need to be graded during the coming year.

A narrow part of Rockland Street has been straightened and graded, at a cost of four hundred dollars, three-fourths of which amount was paid by the Town, and one-fourth by abuttors.

The Great Bridge controversy with Cambridge has been adjusted, and an act has passed the Legislature providing for the future support of the bridge, in accordance with the propositions submitted to and accepted by the Town in February last. A copy of the act is annexed to this report.

Almshouse. The Selectmen by direction of the Town purchased seven acres of land adjoining the Poor Farm, for the sum of six hundred and seventy-five dollars. This purchase increases the farm to about fourteen acres. A new Almshouse has been built on the premises, at the cost of twenty-two hundred and sixty-five dollars and seventy cents. ($2,265 70.)

The building is two stories high, and measures thirty feet by forty, with two L's, each fifteen feet by eighteen. It will accommodate, it is believed, from fifteen to twenty permanent occupants, besides the family of the keeper of the house. The number of paupers now in it is three.

The Selectmen have not made any alteration in the basement of the Town Hall building as yet, for the reason that she room was used for a while as a drill room, and that no application has been made for the room, for particular purposes sufficient, as they thought, to justify making an entire alteration, and it seemed to them that a partial alteration should not be made, but that it would be better to wait until some use could be found for all the room. Moreover, under the circumstances, as the expenses of the Town for other purposes were so great, it was thought wise to economize as much as possible.

A vote was passed by the Town directing the Selectmen to lay water pipes, with hydrants, &c., to convey the water from the Frog Pond along a part of Washington Street, in accordance with a proposition of the Cattle Fair Hotel Corporation. It was found, however, that the corporation understood that they were to have a right to tap the pipes if they saw fit, but as nothing was said of this in the proposition made to the Town, and as the Town would be obliged to keep the pipes in repair, the Selectmen did not think it advisable to go on with the work without further instructions from the Town.

Aid to the Volunteers from this Town in active service, and to the families of such as have them, has been rendered by the Selectmen, as directed by a vote of the Town, somewhat modified by an act of the Legislature. The amount paid for this purpose is stated in the Auditor's Report.

J. F. TAYLOR,
G. FULLER,
WM. R. CHAMPNEY,
} *Selectmen of Brighton.*

COPY OF AN ACT IN RELATION TO CAMBRIDGE GREAT BRIDGE.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Sixty-Two.

AN ACT

In relation to the Rebuilding and future support of "Cambridge Great Bridge."

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows: —

Sect. 1. The city of Cambridge, and the inhabitants of the town of Brighton, are hereby authorized and required to rebuild the "great bridge" over Charles river, between the city of Cambridge and the town of Brighton, in a substantial and proper manner; the same to be made of the width of twenty-eight feet, with a draw in the centre thereof, at an equal distance from each abutment, of not less than thirty-two feet in width, and with the necessary and proper draw-piers, one above and one below said bridge. The expense incurred in such rebuilding of the bridge and piers shall be borne by said city of Cambridge and said town of Brighton in proportion to the respective valuations of said city and town; but all the additional expense incurred in deepening the channel below said bridge, so as to admit of placing the draw in the centre of said bridge, shall be borne equally by said city and town.

Sect. 2. The bridge, when it shall have been rebuilt as aforesaid, shall be divided by a line along the opening in the middle of said draw, at an equal distance from each abutment, and said line shall forever be the dividing line between Cambridge and Brighton at that point.

Sect. 3. So much of said bridge and draw as shall lie south-westerly of said dividing line, together with the most southerly pier, shall be forever supported, maintained, and repaired, and the south-westerly half of the draw shall be

raised by, and at the expense of said town of Brighton; and so much of said bridge and draw as shall lie north-easterly of said dividing line, together with the most northerly pier, shall be forever supported, maintained, and repaired, and the north-easterly half of the draw shall be raised by and at the expense of said city of Cambridge.

Sect. 4. For the purpose of placing the draw of said bridge in the centre of the same, as above provided, said city and town are authorized and empowered to deepen the channel in said river, so far as may be necessary for that purpose.

Sect. 5. All acts or parts of acts, inconsistent with the provisions of this act, are hereby repealed.

Sect. 6. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

DELINQUENTS.

The following are the names of delinquents in the payment of Taxes for 1861 : —

Burns, James,	$ 1.50
Campion, Patrick,	19.74
Davis, George,	1.50
Devine, John,	11.10
Frothington, James,	3.00
Hunting, Reuben,	53.69
Hobart, Benjamin,	1.50
Marrow, Moses,	1.50
Needham, Alfred,	1.50
Parkinson, John, Estate,	79.38
Ring, Edward,	3.00
Reed, Henry,	1.50
Murphy, Morris,	1.50
Speer, Warren,	4.65
Shay, Michael,	1.50
Strain, George,	1.00
Noland, John,	5.99

Non-residents.

Dixon, William,	3.78
Dixon,	3.78
Douglas, Sarah,	3.97
Fuzzard, John,	3.15
Griggs, David R.,	1.26
Larned, Thomas, Estate,	0.88
Meacham, George,	25.20
Montgomery, James,	5.67
McDonald,	3.78
Reed, E. P.,	2.52
Whitemore, B.,	1.89
Robinson, T. L.,	3.78
Warren, M. C.,	1.11

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